


# The Resolution of the Right Honourable the Earl of *Essex* his Excellence, Lord Generall of all his Forces for the preservation of His Majesty and Parliament.

With a Speech made by the Lord *Robert* to his Excellence: Also the manner of his setting forward and his passing through the City, being attended with much expression of love by all the Traine Band, and many other Citizens of worth. Also the wicked purpose and intention of one *F. Gennis*, to have killed his Excellence, being hired thereunto by some Papists, and was upon his confession thereof whipped from Westminster to Allgate. Also the apprehending of the Lord *Montague*, being with 100. Horse brought up to the Parliament.



Of the Earle of Essex his departure from London, &c.

 He expelled that day designed for the Right Honourable the Earle of Essex departure being come, which was the 9. of September, he with great solemnity tooke his leave of both Houses of Parliament with much appreciation of happinesse, then being gloriously attended to his house, he went from thence accompanied with many followers unto the new Artillery yard, and so from thence he rode directly forward the Citizens with much expression of love waiting on him, and an infinite number of people, whose hearts looking through their eyes imprecated Heaven for the happinesse and prosperity of his Honours Resolution, until being come to Higate, he had a Sermon Preached by Mr. Martin before his Excellence.

It pleased God to discoder the wicked and divelish intention of one F. G. who by the instigation of some Papists, who had hired him to perpetrate the bloody Act, reported that hee would kill the Earle of Essex before his going, and for harbouring such a wicked intention, he was the same day (as hee well deserved) whipped from Westminster to Algate, and so received condigne punishment for his offence.

Marqueter the Lord Montague being a partaker with the malignant Party, was the same day to the great joy of all well affected people brought up to London, strongly guarded with a hundred horse, to be presented as a delinquent to the Parliament.

A Speech

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# A Speech made unto the Earle of ESSEX his

Excellency, by the Lord Roberts,

Sonne in Law to the Honourable

Earle of WARWICK.

MY LORD,

**I** Know unto whom I speake, and therefore  
the addresse of my Speech shall rather bee  
a commendation, than an admonition to  
your Honour, in matters of Knowledge  
and Valour, your noble Spirit being the  
Magazine and Armory of knowing magnanimity, whi  
together with other vertues inherent in your soule, ren-  
deryou the most illustrious example of true Nobility.  
I need not commemorate here the noble actions of your  
worthy father, whom the Commons doe still remem-  
ber with a reverend adoration, thinking all the prayes  
and prayers, that they can accumulate on the name of

Arnold and five other with Essex.

*Essex*, to be poore sacrifices of their unfeigned love and affection, which being derived from your noble father, is now with the same fervour and heat of applause, by the generall vore of the people, cast upon your Honourable Excellence. But because it is but the part of a Schoole Orator, to endeavour with the Stars of Rhetoricall figures to illustrate the brightnesse of the Sonne, to prayse the beauty of the Spring, rich in the dowry of nature, or generally to shadow out the exact portraiture of any thing that carries in it selfe a compleat perfection: it would now appear an extravagant affectation of words to amplifie your Lordships troops of Militant vertues, shining in you as in the thrice Honourable Son of *Essex* valour, your breast being pregnant and swelling with all the naturall gifts of a compleat and Heroick Generall.

It will become me therefore to leave the discourse of your generally acknowledged prayse; since the hearts and hands, and tongues of the Commons united together, doe with the utmost strength of good will crye *God save the King* and *Essex*, that goes for the safety of the King, and the generall good of the Kingdome.

This Warre my Lord hath various objects; the occasion hath beene formerly manifested; the malignant party, and instigators thereof are well knowne, and distinguished into kinds, as Papists and their adherents, together with evill Counsellors; but we hope and thus believe with a faithfull truly grounded confidence, that the event shall with severe Justice teach those revolting fire-brands of dissention; that *malum Consilium Consulto respissimum*, Their evill Counsell shall be revenged on them that were the evill Counsellours.

If your Honour look into the material part of this intended warre, your Lordship may discern there a Parliament oppos'd and oppress'd in right and privilege; nay, this Parliament, which must under God be the preserver of three Kingdomes: This Parliament, which is the last hope of the long oppress'd Protestant Religion: This Parliament, which doth preserve the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, and doth endeavour to correct all injustice and oppression, by which also publike dangers and feares are prevented: Lastly, this Parliament which is the only means to continue us to be a nation of free men and not slaves, and to be owners of any thing that we may call our own, in a word this Parliament which hath so courageously endeavoured to prevent an inundation of all misery & confusion, and indeed the very desolation and ruine of this Kingdome.

This Parliament my Lord, through an inveterate malice may desire to destroy, but I hope it will destroy the destroyers, and be a wall of fire to consume them, as it is a wall of brasse to us, to defend King and Kingdome, us, and all we can call ours.

The clouds that are like to make this foule day of war did first gather very fast together at Yorke, there keeping the beames of his Majesties favour from shining upon his Parliament and people, and now they threaten a sudden bloody storme, but as clouds full-gorged with vapours do commonly weepe out themselves in showres of raine, and having emptied their own substance, vanish, so it is to be hoped that the great and pious preparations of the Parliament will either dissipate these appearing clouds of civil war, or else force them to open this fire of intestine warre.

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sention by them raised, even with a showre of their owne  
blond. But what are strength or forces but motions and  
dumb shoves of war, unlesse they receive a quickning  
vertue from their magnanimous Commanders? from  
your Excellence (my Lord, the souldiers receive animatio  
on, courage, life, flame, & valiant hearts, *nit desperandum*  
*est auspice Christo, & Duce comite Essexia*, they are con-  
fident of victory through God and your Excellencies  
magnanimity, they looke on you as the *Caribæus* and  
lum of valour, and the matchlesse Phoenix of a noble fa-  
ther, some sacred charm dwels in the name of *Essex* that  
with so sweet a violence attracts the iron-hearted souldi-  
er to follow your Excellence as their honourable and be-  
loved adamant, or rather your constant faithfull heart to  
King and Country, hath given you a fixed seate in popu-  
lar affection. Thus the souldiers do by a loving Sympa-  
thy with your honour, and your Honours Ancestors, de-  
rive from you the influence of their courage and forward  
resolution to attend your Honour, while you fetch your  
*Promethean* fire from heaven, advancing forward with a  
strong army and with noble intents, the safety of the K.  
the preservation of the Protestant Religion, the subduing  
all malignants, the free priviledge of the Subject, and the  
good of the Kingdome and Common-wealth being the  
only end of this great expedition under you their hono-  
rable Excellence.

There is no greater joy nor happinesse in a Common-  
wealth in times of apparent danger, than to have some  
heroike *Atlas*, in whose supporting fidelity they may  
confide, and that through the assistance of Almighty God  
will like another *Ishua* undertake to fight their battels.

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There was ever in other Common-wealths an *Alciabiades* a *Themistocles* and some valiant Captains or other that in the pressures and grievances of the state of their Country took courage to defend it from a civill war, and now in these times of distractions, when the sword threatens to impose a tyranny on the Subject, the divine power hath excited and encouraged the Earle of Essex his Excellence with a free and noble resolution to undertake either a desired pacification between the King and his Parliament if it may be obtayned, or else a vindication and revenge against those Cavalliers and malignants that do either seduce the King or oppose the Parliament. And as his noble valiant father was so deare unto the people that his name is never mention'd but with much expressions of love and affection, as if they would never forget his service in many noble designs, so that he may shew that *fortes creantur fortibus*, valour is derived from the Ancestory to the Posterity, hath now by the votes of the Parliament and the desire of the Commons, buckled on his armour, intending to carry a defensive army into the oppressed parts of this Kingdome, now pillaged by the outrages of hostility, and though he goes forth strongly accommodated with all warlike ammunition, and with many troops of Souldiers drawn out of the City and Countrey, who with cheerfull willingness will declare their courage in this expedition, yet his strongest confidence and resolution consists in the goodnesse and justice of his cause.

It is not to adde more illustrious titles to his name, for he hath honour enough derived unto him from his father and also inherent in him by his living vertues, but he desires to do service for the King in bearing off those flies and parasites that have whispered so much evil counsell in

to the Kings eare, thereby to alienate his affection from his loyall Parliament and people, for it is better in all political justice, that some ill-affected members should be cut off, rather than the whole body of the Commonwealth should perish, and besides, the liberty of the Subject is precious and ought to be maintained, that we may know our own, possesse our own, & keep our own, & that the Kingdom may not be converted into a countrey of Peasants or slaves as France is, where the King at his free will and pleasure exercising an arbitrary power & tyrannical government, doth upon any occasion squeeze his subjects like so many oranges, & if they suffer not themselves to be thus pillaged, their goods upon the least resistance are confiscated, but if this be not worth defending, yet who would not adventure life for that which is the life of his soule, the Protestant Religion, which is in danger now to be changed againe into Popery, should the malignants and papists get the victory. On these grounds and reasons the Earle of *Essex* his Excellence hath undertook the common cause being full of justice, piety, and Religion, is now gone forth under the propitious favour of God with a numerous and innumerable army collected out of the City and Countrey, well appointed and provided with all sorts of ammunition, & consisting of 40000 brave and resolute souldiers, who advance forward under the command of the said Earle of *Essex* his Excellence, to settle an established peace, or confound the malice of these Machavilian counsellors and mischievous bloody Cavalliers, who are enemies to the King and Kingdome, God blesse and prosper his noble purpose and resolution, to the good of the King, Kingdome, and Commons of England.

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